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SUBJ: DEMONSTRATION OF VINSON AT NATO HQ

1. AT THE REQUEST OF MR. R. SEARS, NSA, MISSION INVESTIGATED
FEASIBILITY OF DEMONSTRATING VINSON COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY
EQUIPMENT TO ATTENDEES OF NATO COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS BOARD
(NCEB) AND NATO JOINT COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS COMMITTEE
(NJCEC) WEEK OF MARCH 17-21, 1975.

2. CHAIRMAN OF BOTH MCEB AND NJCEC STATED RELUCTANCE TO INCLUDE
DEMONSTRATION ON AGENDA, CITING LENGTHY AGENDA (TRUCE) AND NEED
TO AVOID IMPLIED NATO SPONSORSHIP. BOTH CHAIRMEN, HOWEVER,
PROMISED FULL COOPERATION WITHIN THIS LIMIT. MISSION COLLABORATED
WITH USDEL TO MILITARY COMMITTEE (USDELMC) AND PROPOSES
FOLLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS:

A. WED AFTERNOON, MAR 19, NSA PERSONNEL DEMONSTRATE
VINSON IN USDELMC CONFERENCE ROOM. DEMONSTRATION WOULD BE
CONTINUOUS FROM ABOUT 1200 TO ABOUT 1700.

B. FRI MORNING, MAR 21, NSA PERSONNEL DEMONSTRATE VINSON
IN CONFERENCE ROOM NEAR ONE IN WHICH NJCEC MEETS. DEMONSTRATION
WOULD BE CONTINUOUS FROM 0900 TO ABOUT 1400.

3. THESE TWO DEMONSTRATION PERIODS WILL PROVIDE ADEQUATE AND
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CONVENIENT OPPORTUNITY FOR NCEB AND NJCEC REPRESENTATIVES,
MEMBERS OF ALLIED DELEGATIONS, AND INTERESTED NATO STAFF MEMBERS
TO SEE VINSON IN OPERATION. THESE TIMES AND LOCATIONS MESH
BEST WITH SCHEDULES OF THE TARGET GROUP, MOST OF WHOM WILL

BE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN MEETINGS ON OTHER DAYS. MISSION AND USDELMC WILL NOTIFY OTHER NATIONAL DELEGATIONS OF THE DEMONSTRATION AND WILL SPECIFICALLY INVITE REPRESENTATIVES TO NCEB AND JNCEC MEETINGS. MISSION ANTICIPATES THAT DEMONSTRATION WILL PRECIPITATE REQUESTS FOR TECHNICAL INFORMATION. US SHOULD HAVE APPROPRIATE LITERATURE AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION. (MISSION CAN DISTRIBUTE CLASSIFIED MATERIAL TO REQUESTERS.)

4. FRANCE WILL PARTICIPATE IN JNCEC MEETING. MISSION RECOMMENDS THAT HER REPRESENTATIVE BE INVITED TO DEMONSTRATION, DESPITE FACT THAT US DID NOT GIVE FRANCE DATA ON VINSON WHEN RELEASED PREVIOUSLY TO OTHER ALLIES. SELECTIVE EXCLUSION OF FRANCE NOW WOULD BE EMBARRASSING TO HER AND TO US.

5. UPON RECEIPT OF FOLLOWING, MISSION WILL FINALIZE ALL ARRANGEMENTS:

- A. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION SCHEDULE.
- B. STATEMENT OF ANY SPECIAL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS.
- C. STATEMENT OF SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS IN DISPLAY AREAS.
- D. STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR NSA PERSONNEL.

6. USDELMC CONCURS.MCAULIFFE

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